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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: MNUC KS

SUBJECT: ROKG NUCLEAR REPROCESSING

REF: STATE 236684

1. DURING EVENING OCTOBER 8, I TALKED BRIEFLY TO DPM NAM ON NUCLEAR REPROCESSING QUESTION. NAM OPENED CONVERSATION BY ASKING WHETHER THERE WERE ANY NEW DEVELOPMENTS. I POINTED OUT THAT WE WERE AWAITING ROKG RESPONSE TO OUR APPROACH. I ASKED WHETHER HE HAD YET RECEIVED REPORT ON DEPUTY SECRETARY INGERSOLL'S MEETING WITH AMBASSADOR HAHM AND URGED THIS APPROACH BE GIVEN FULLEST CONSIDERATION BEFORE REPLYING TO US.

2. NAM HAD NOT YET SEEN REPORT ON INGERSOLL MEETING, BUT HE COMMENTED THAT AMBASSADOR HAHM HAS FIRM INSTRUCTIONS ON RE-PROCESSING ISSUE. HAHM HAD WRITTEN TO PRESIDENT PARK POINTING OUT U.S. SERIOUS CONCERNS. IN REPLY, PRESIDENT HAD TOLD HAHM THAT ROKG POSITION IS VERY FIRM ON GOING AHEAD WITH PURCHASE OF FRENCH RESEARCH FACILITY. NAM THOUGHT ON THIS BASIS, AS WELL, THERE NOT LIKELY BE ANY GIVE IN ROKG POSITION. WHEN I OUTLINED AGAIN OUR MAJOR PROBLEMS, INCLUDING PARTICULARLY CONGRESSIONAL RESISTANCE TO EXIM LOAN FOR KORI II, NAM SUGGESTED PERHAPS MINISTER OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY CHOE COULD EXPLAIN ROKG ACTION TO CONGRESS AND SATISFY IT. I EXPRESSED RESERVATIONS ON THIS TACTIC AND STRONGLY URGED CAREFUL RECONSIDERATION OF ROKG POSITION.

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